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**Subject:** RE: Fails

No need to. I figured that the needle on the penalty would not change. Lou

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**From:** Toffel, Melissa <Toffel.Melissa@epa.gov>  
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**Subject:** FW: Fails

Lou – I reviewed the tank release detection records that Mr. Miller provided on 12/2. Although it is helpful in that they show current compliance, the records provided do not affect our penalty numbers. For one, because our stop date for calculating penalty numbers was in early August and most records provided were for after that time, or were records I already had. And second, one record Mr. Miller provided allowed me to reduce the days of noncompliance on one tank, however, it did not lower the penalty because the days of noncompliance multiplier remained the same because the days still fell within the same bracket for calculating the DNC multiplier.

Mr. Miller provided some information today regarding the “Fail” tank release detection results in February of 2017, however, the information does not cause us to remove those counts or reduce those penalties as it does not sufficiently demonstrate that the “Fails” were investigated/reported.

If you want to meet to go over this, my calendar is up to date for the rest of this month. Thanks,

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Of the three fails we have had, all were during extremely slow times and during unusual weather events.

Leak detectors have issues when -

1. They have been inactive.
2. Weather is very cold.
3. Weather has fluctuated greatly

This is common knowledge in the industry, attached are the transactions surrounding the so called fails.

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